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In re Application of:)	Art Unit: 1636
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For: NOVEL SERINE PROTEASE)	December 8, 2003
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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 25, 2003,
petition and payment for a two month extension of time being
attached to the RCE filed on even date herewith, please do not
enter the unentered amendment of October 21, 2003, and instead
please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.